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1. IN DISCUSSING CONGRESSIONAL SITUATION SET FORTH IN  
REFTEL WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS, POSTS SHOULD, OF COURSE,  
STRESS THE EFFORTS WHICH THE PRESIDENT AND THIS  
ADMINISTRATION ARE MAKING TO CONVINCE CONGRESS OF THE NEED  
TO MAINTAIN CURRENT US TROOP DEPLOYMENTS IN WESTERN EUROPE.  
THEY SHOULD ALSO REFER TO THAT PART OF THE COPENHAGEN NAC  
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MINISTERIAL COMMUNIQUE WHICH INDICATED THAT THE MINISTERS QTE WELCOMED THE REAFFIRMATION BY THE US THAT, GIVEN A SIMILAR APPROACH BY THEIR ALLIES, THEY WOULD MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE THEIR FORCES IN EUROPE AND NOT REDUCE THEM EXCEPT IN THE CONTEXT OF AN EAST/ WEST AGREEMENT. UNQTE

2. MAIN POINT OF ABOVE IS THAT WHILE THERE IS CONTINUING CONGRESSIONAL PRESSURE FOR REDUCTION OF US FORCES IN EUROPE, THE ADMINISTRATION IS MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO MAINTAIN THE PRESENT LEVELS. IT IS IN THIS CONTEXT THAT WE SEEK QUALITATIVE IMPROVEMENT IN CONVENTIONAL FORCES AND INCREASED COOPERATION IN BURDENSHARING. RUSH

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